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Item 2 of the provisional agenda*

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Proposed organization of work

1. The proposed programme of work for the thirty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, set out below, has been drawn up on the basis of the guidelines annexed to Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/22, the requirements of the Commission in undertaking its work as preparatory body for the Fourth World Conference on Women and the conference facilities allocated to the Commission.

2. The proposal takes as its premise that the work concerning the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women has the highest priority during the session, but that the other items on the agenda also must be given appropriate consideration.

3. It should be recalled that, on the basis of its decision 1992/270, the Economic and Social Council decided to approve the convening of additional meetings, with interpretation services, to be held simultaneously with the plenary meetings of the Commission during its thirty-seventh session only. It may be useful to hold additional meetings during the thirty-eighth session also. These additional meetings would be convened for the purpose of establishing a working group of the whole to work on the draft platform for action, as well as other matters related to the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women. Provisional arrangements have been made for this purpose, should the Commission decide to adopt this procedure. The dates for the meetings of the proposed working group, if approved by the Commission, are shown with an asterisk (*).

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4. In order to expedite the Commission's work, it is suggested that delegations making statements in the general discussion on item 4 (Monitoring the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies) also refer to item 3 (Programming and coordination matters related to the United Nations and the United Nations system).

5. Delegations wishing to make statements under the various items of the agenda are invited to enter their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible.

6. With regard to the length of statements, it is proposed that a time-limit of 10 minutes be set for statements on items 3 and 4 and a limit of 12 minutes for statements on items 5 and 6.

7. The morning meetings will be held from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. The afternoon meetings will be held from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m.

Proposed organization of work

Week of 7-11 March

Monday, 7 March

a.m.		Opening of the session
	Item 1	Election of officers
	Item 2	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
	Item 6	Preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women: Action for Equality, Development and Peace (Introductory statements and general discussion)
p.m.	Item 6	Continuation of the general discussion
6 p.m.		Closure of the list of speakers on item 6

Tuesday, 8 March

10 a.m.		Address to the Commission by H.E. Mrs. Mary Robinson, President of Ireland
a.m. and p.m.	Item 6	Continuation of the general discussion

Wednesday, 9 March

a.m.	Item 6	Continuation of the general discussion
p.m.	Item 6	Conclusion of the general discussion

Thursday, 10 March		
a.m.*	Item 3	Programming and coordination matters related to the United Nations and the United Nations system (General discussion)
	Item 4	Monitoring the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women (General discussion)
p.m.*	Items 3 and 4	Continuation of the general discussion
Friday, 11 March		
a.m.*	Items 3 and 4	Conclusion of the general discussion
p.m.*	Item 5	Priority themes: (a) Equality: Equal pay for work of equal value, including methodologies for measurement of pay inequities and work in the informal sector; (b) Development: Women in urban areas: population, nutrition and health factors for women in development, including migration, drug consumption and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome; (c) Peace: Measures to eradicate violence against women in the family and society (General discussion)

* Meeting of the informal working group of the whole on preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women, to be held simultaneously with the plenary meeting.

6 p.m.		Deadline for submission of draft proposals under items 3 and 4
Week of 14-18 March		
Monday, 14 March		
a.m. and p.m.*	Item 5	Continuation of the general discussion
Tuesday, 15 March		
a.m.*	Items 3 and 4	Introduction of draft proposals
	Item 5	Continuation of the general discussion
p.m.*	Item 5	Conclusion of the general discussion
6 p.m.		Deadline for the submission of draft proposals under items 5 and 6
Wednesday, 16 March		
a.m.	Item 4	Closed meeting of the Commission to consider the report of the Working Group on Communications
p.m.		Informal consultations on draft proposals
Thursday, 17 March		
a.m.	Items 5 and 6	Introduction of draft proposals
a.m. and p.m.	Items 3 and 4	Action on draft proposals
Friday, 18 March		
a.m.	Items 5 and 6	Action on draft proposals
		Action on outstanding draft proposals

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	Item 7	Provisional agenda for the thirty-ninth session of the Commission
p.m.	Item 8	Adoption of the report of the Commission on its thirty-eighth session
		Closure of the session